Family presence during pediatric emergency procedures-
NURSES SECTION

Children who have to undergo procedures (stitching, foreign body removal, venipuncture etc.) - comprise a significant load in the Paediatric emergency department (ED)

Very often, we face a situation where the parents are very keen to stay inside the room so that they can see exactly what is being done to their child.

However, parental presence in a procedure can also contribute to significant stress to healthcare workers, especially when the parents are aggressive or request for the procedure to be stopped when the child cries. We aim to study parents, doctors and nurses in their habits, beliefs and practices surrounding a procedure (INCLUDING stitching, IND, foreign body removal, venipuncture, IV plug insertion etc. EXCLUDING all the procedures under sedation and all MNRs) that is required in the Paediatric ED.

IN YOUR EXPERIENCE, PARENTS WHOSE CHILDREN UNDERGO PROCEDURE ARE MOST WORRIED ABOUT

(Choose one most appropriate response)

- Patient factor-Child being fretful and being uncooperative
- Medication Factor-Inadequate Sedation or analgesia (Pain relief) being delivered to child
- Doctor factor-Whether the Doctor can complete the procedure competently
- Infrastructure factor – Difficult to immobilize the child

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DURING A PROCEDURE THE FOLLOWING OCCUR:

(Choose one most appropriate response)

- Healthcare workers have to ask the parents repeatedly to leave the room and provide reasons for this request.
- Healthcare workers have to ask parents twice to leave the room.
- Healthcare workers have to ask parents once to leave the room.
- Parents leave the room spontaneously.

IN YOUR EXPERIENCE, THE MOST COMMON REASON GIVEN BY PARENTS TO STAY IN THE PROCEDURE ROOM IS:

(Choose one most appropriate response)

- I will help to monitor if the procedure is being performed appropriately.
- I will help to calm the child by talking to/distracting him/her.
- I will help to hold/immobilize the child while the procedure is being performed.
- I had stayed in for a similar procedure in the past with my child.

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DURING A PROCEDURE, WHAT DO MOST PARENTS DO?

(Choose one most appropriate response)

○ Passive - Sit quietly / stand by the bed side

○ Supportive - Speak to the child console/soothe the child

○ Active - Help to immobilize the child or restrain the child

○ Aggressive/ anxious - Ask the doctor to stop the procedure/ Interrupt during the procedure to ask for an expla...

○ Emotional-Crying

HOW DOES THE PRESENCE OF PARENTS IN THE PROCEDURE ROOM USUALLY AFFECT THE PHYSICIANS’ PERFORMANCE?

(Choose one most appropriate response)

○ Physician is unaffected and runs the procedure smoothly

○ Physician works better and involves the parents in immobilization or distraction techniques.

○ Physician seems uncomfortable/distracted due to parental presence/ had to interrupt the procedure to upda...

○ Physician is anxious and makes frequent changes of decisions

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HOW DOES THE CHILD USUALLY DO WHEN THE PARENTS "STAY IN" THE ROOM?

(Choose one most appropriate response)

○ Calm/ easily distractible from the beginning

○ Initially fretful then settles down and the procedure is completed

○ Fretful throughout the procedure, but the procedure is still completed

○ Fretful throughout the procedure, resulting in the procedure being discontinued

HOW DOES THE CHILD USUALLY DO WHEN THE PARENTS "WAIT OUTSIDE" THE ROOM?

(Choose one most appropriate response)

○ Calm/ easily distractible from the beginning

○ Initially fretful then settles down and the procedure is completed

○ Fretful throughout the procedure, but the procedure is still completed

○ Fretful throughout the procedure, resulting in the procedure being discontinued

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THE PRESENCE OF PARENTS ADDS TO ADDITIONAL STRESS IN THE PROCEDURE ROOM.

(Choose one most appropriate response)

○ Strongly disagree

○ Disagree

○ Neither agree nor disagree

○ Agree

○ Strongly agree

THE PRESENCE OF PARENTS AFFECTS THE EFFICIENCY OF THE MEDICAL TEAM.

(Choose one most appropriate response)

○ Strongly disagree

○ Disagree

○ Neither agree nor disagree

○ Agree

○ Strongly agree
THE PRESENCE OF PARENTS USUALLY INCREASES THE TIME DURATION FOR THE COMPLETION OF A PROCEDURE.

(Choose one most appropriate response)

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

IN YOUR OPINION, IF THERE WAS A PROCEDURE BEING PERFORMED ON YOUR CHILD, WOULD YOU WANT TO STAY INSIDE PROCEDURE ROOM?

- Yes
- No
- Not Sure

HOW DOES ALLOWING PARENTS INSIDE THE PROCEDURE ROOM AFFECT

Long answer text

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